



**CALIFORNIA STATE
PUBLIC WORKS BOARD**

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STATE PUBLIC WORKS BOARD

April 12, 2010

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Ms. Cynthia Bryant, Chief Deputy Director, Department of Finance
Mr. Scott Harvey, Chief Deputy Director, Department of General Services

STAFF PRESENT:

Greg Rogers, Administrative Secretary
Nathan Brady, Assistant Administrative Secretary
Brian Dewey, Assistant Administrative Secretary

Deborah Cregger, Staff Counsel
Stephen Benson, Budget Analyst
Natalie Daniel, Budget Analyst
Maria Lo-Aoyama, Budget Analyst
Madelynn McClain, Budget Analyst
Carlos Ochoa, Budget Analyst
Andrew Ruppenstein, Budget Analyst
Aurelia Bethea, Executive Secretary

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

The PWB meeting was moved due to a room conflict from the originally noticed room of 113 to room 4203 in the Capitol. A notice of this change was posted on both doors of room 113 and staff were present to direct the public and interested parties to room 4203 in the Capitol. Due to the room change the meeting was started ten minutes late.

Staff note that Mr. Martin Tuttle, Deputy Director, Department of Transportation was initially present for the meeting, but due to the meeting delay and a conflict he had to leave prior to the start of the meeting.

Ms. Cynthia Bryant, Chairperson of the SPWB and Chief Deputy Director of the Department of Finance, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Mr. Greg Rogers, Assistant Administrative Secretary for the Board, called the roll. A quorum was established.

The first order of business was approval and adoption of the Minutes from March 15, 2009.

A motion was made by Mr. Harvey and Second by Ms. Bryant to approve and adopt the minutes from the March 15, 2009 meeting. The minutes were approved by a 2-0 vote.

BOND ITEMS:

Ms. Bryant noted that there were no bond items for consideration this month.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Mr. Rogers reported the Consent Calendar consisted of Items 1 through 14. Consent Item 9 was pulled from the agenda due to concerns expressed by the JLBC regarding this Item. Therefore the consent calendar consisted of Items 1 through 8 and 10 through 14. In summary these items were:

- 1 request to accept real property through a transfer of title [Item 1]
- 2 request to authorize site selection [Items 2, 3]
- 5 request to establish scope, cost, and schedule [Items 4, 5, 6, 7, & 10]
- 1 request to recognize a scope change [Item 8]
- 3 request to approve preliminary plans [Items 11, 12, & 13]
- 1 request to approve design-build for an RDA project [Item 14]

There were three legislative notification letters associated with the Consent Calendar.

(1) One letter was for the Judicial Councils request to establish cost, scope, and schedule for Consent Items 4, 5, 6, and 7. (2) The second letter was for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's request to establish cost, scope, and schedule for Consent Item 10. (3) The third letter was for the Department of Parks and Recreation request to recognize a scope change for Consent Item 8. The review periods expired without comments.

Staff recommended approval of the **Consent Calendar** consisting of Consent Items 1 through 8 and 10 through 14. Mr. Harvey commented that Site Selection, as it pertains to Items 2 & 3, is not a commitment on the site but a form of due diligence in selecting a site. Mr. Rogers confirmed.

There were no further comments or questions from the Board or the public.

A motion was made by Mr. Harvey and Second by Ms. Bryant approve Consent Items 1 through 14 with Item #9 being pulled. The Consent Items were approved by a 2-0 vote.

ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Rogers stated there was one Action Item, on this month's agenda, to be presented by Mr. Dewey from the Board staff.

Action Item #1 Mr. Dewey noted that this Item was for the approval of preliminary plans for the Tahoe Conservancy's Lower Blackwood Creek Restoration project was being brought to the Board's attention because the CEQA comment period would not expire until April 20, 2010, eight days after this meeting. It has been the Board's policy that the statutes of limitation for the CEQA filing expire without challenge prior to approving preliminary plans. However, it was requested that the Board consider an exception to this policy and approve the preliminary plans for this project, contingent upon the expiration of the comment period, to help ensure this project remains eligible for federal funding. The Tahoe Conservancy must complete the working drawings by October 2010, in order for it to remain eligible for a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers grant of \$2.1 million. A contingent approval of this item would help ensure the working drawings are completed on time and help avoid additional delays that could jeopardize the federal grant, thereby substantially increasing the state's costs.

The project is located adjacent to the Highway 89 crossing of Blackwood Creek, approximately 1.5 miles north of Homewood and 3 miles south of Tahoe City on the west shore of Lake Tahoe in Placer County. This project will protect and improve the water quality of Lake Tahoe by reducing sediment sources and would also enhance habitat for special status fish and wildlife species along Blackwood Creek.

Mr. Lewandowski, Wildlife Program Coordinator at the California Tahoe Conservancy, gave a brief overview of the project and clarified several points for the members..

Staff recommended approval of preliminary plans contingent on the expiration of the CEQA comment period without challenge. It was noted that the Conservancy would need to provide Board staff with evidence of the expiration of CEQA without challenge and that the Conservancy would be asked to report back with the results before the next regularly scheduled meeting.

There were no further comments or questions from the Board or the public.

A motion was made by Mr. Harvey and Second by Ms. Bryant to approve Action Item #1. Action Item #1 was approved by a 2-0 vote.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Rogers reported there was no Other Business on this month calendar.

REPORTABLES:

There were 2 items that were approved by staff under the authority delegated by the Board.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting Public Works Board meeting is scheduled for **May 17, 2010, at 10:00am, at the State Capitol, in Room 113.**

There were no comments or questions from the public.

The meeting was concluded at 10:22am.